

Office of the Attorney General Washington, V. C.

November 4, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR

Dr. James B. Rhoads Deputy Archivist of the United States

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, I have revised the "Inspection" memorandum for three purposes.

First, as transmitted, the memorandum circulated for signature has the date, October 31, 1966, underneath the title. There are no dates next to the signatures. It therefore gives the impression that the memorandum was prepared and signed on October 31, 1966. I think it important that the memorandum accurately reflect the material facts as we know them. It is less important that it was prepared some time after the event and signed by the participants on different dates. Consequently, I have removed the date from under the title and have added the date on which I signed the memorandum next to my own signature. I suggest that the others sign and date the memorandum in the same manner.

Second, the third paragraph of the circulated memorandum is somewhat confusing. For example, it fails to identify Mr. Brewster, although it identifies all others present and not previously identified. In addition, it states that Mr. Wozencraft joined the group "Shortly" after the footlocker was opened, but left "Immediately" after it was opened. If the ordinary meaning is attributed to the quoted words, Mr. Wozencraft left before he arrived. I believe I was responsible for this language. At any rate, I have slightly revised the paragraph to clarify it in these respects.

Third, Acting Attorney General Clark read the phrase, "and of which Admiral Burkley had personal knowledge," in the fourth paragraph to be a characterization by the authors of the memorandum rather than a description of the language in Senator Kennedy's letter of April 22, 1965. The attached revision attempts to eliminate this possible confusion.

I have signed and dated my signature on the original and five

carbons and have affixed the attachments. If you and the others agree with this revision, I would appreciate it if you followed the same procedure and returned one of the signed carbons to me.

Harold F. Reis

Attachments